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### Harford County Government Concludes Annual "Harvest for the Hungry" Campaign

*More than three tons of food donated by county employees and families*

(Bel Air, MD) - - The annual Harford County Government "*Harvest for the Hungry*" campaign concluded on Friday, March 8, 2013. This year's campaign garnered more than three tons of food to help those in need in Harford County.

"I am extremely proud of the dedicated men and women of Harford County government who stepped up to meet the challenge of this year's *Harvest for the Hungry* food drive," said County Executive David R. Craig. "In 2011, more than 23,000 individuals throughout Harford County were food insecure. That means nearly 10% of our community did not know where their next meal would come from," Craig remarked.

The Maryland "*Harvest for the Hungry*" campaign is now in its 27<sup>th</sup> year. Founder Larry Adam works hard throughout the year working to find sponsors and partners to assist in generating food donations to support the mission of the "*Harvest for the Hungry*" campaign.

This year, 28 teams comprised of Harford County government employees donated approximately 6,260 pounds of food during the course of the food drive which was held, March 1 – 8, 2013. The Department of Procurement, with a theme of "Ain't Nobody Got Time for Hunger", collected the most food. The runner-up was the Department of Planning and Zoning with the theme of "No One Goes Hungry in Our Zone". Five other teams tied for third place in the competition.

The Harford County Government "*Harvest for the Hungry*" campaign will support efforts of the Harford Community Action Agency in providing food for those in need.

Local community and business partners supporting the "*Harvest for the Hungry*" campaign in Harford County include the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Bank of America, Safeway, the U. S. Postal Service and Harford County Public Library.

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Commenting on the nature of the hungry in Harford County, County Executive Craig said, “Too many of our neighbors are confronted with hunger and we as a community must work together to assist those in need, not just during the holiday, but throughout the year. The *“Harvest for the Hungry”* campaign is a tool which helps us in our effort to supply food for those in need,” Craig remarked.

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